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TO COERCE GREECE

Russia Is Now Said To Be Firm in That Policy.

ITALY WILLING TO TAKE A HAND

After a Meeting of the English Cabinet Premier Salisbury Sends Telegrams to the Several European Governments and British Admiral.

St. Petersburg, March 10.—A firm resolve is manifested in government quarters to adhere fixedly to the policy of coercion towards Greece, should the Greek policy necessitate such a course. It is stated that the admirals commanding the foreign fleets in Cretan waters have decided, in addition to blockading the Piraeus and the coast of Crete, to fire upon any Greek torpedo boat that approaches the foreign warships.

London, March 10.—An extra meeting of the cabinet to consider the new Cretan situation arising from Greece's practical refusal to accede to the demands of the powers was held last night in one of the private rooms of the house of commons. After the meeting Prime Minister Salisbury went to the foreign office where he was visited by Count Deym, the Austrian ambassador. Later Lord Salisbury sent telegraphic messages to the foreign capitals and to Admiral Sir Michael Culme-Seymour, commander-in-chief of the British Mediterranean squadron.

Rome, March 10.—It is stated that the cabinet, although hoping that a peaceful solution of the question will be arrived at, decided not to abstain from taking part in the coercion of Greece if the other powers were unanimous on this point.

Vienna, March 10.—The Greek reply to the identical note of the six great powers has been received at the ministry of foreign affairs, where it has been most carefully considered. It is not deemed at all satisfactory, as it is evasive. Greece apparently being desirous of dodging the very points upon which the identical note was based.

Christian Homes Pillaged.

Canea, March 10.—Advices received from Retimo on the north coast some thirty miles from here show that the pillaging of the houses and shops of the Christians there is still going on. The insurgents at Hierapetra, who were fired upon yesterday by an Italian cruiser, were commanded by the Greek leader Korakas. During the fighting at Akrotiri the Turkish positions were at one time so threatened by the insurgents that the warships made preparations to fire upon the Christians. This was averted by the latter retiring.

Cretan Question in the French Chamber.

Paris, March 10.—In the chamber of deputies last evening M. Millerand, socialist, again interpellated the government regarding the Cretan question and the action to be taken by France in view of the refusal of Greece to heed the ultimatum of the powers. Prime Minister Meline and M. Hanotaux minister of foreign affairs, asked that consideration of the subject be deferred until to-morrow, and it was agreed to.

The Kernel of the Eastern Situation.

London, March 10.—The Chronicle to-day publishes a dispatch from Athens saying that the kernel of the situation is that Russia is pursuing Greece with terrible vindictiveness in order to humiliate her and transfer to the Russian church the allegiance of millions of Christians in the east who now owe obedience to the Greek patriarch at Constantinople.

Greeks Destroy Railway Bridges.

Athens, March 10.—Several Greek transports have landed great quantities of war material and large numbers of horses and mules at Volo, Thessaly. It is reported that Greek bands have destroyed a number of bridges on the railway between Monastir, the present headquarters of the Turkish army, and Salona.

The Greek Force in Thessaly.

Vienna, March 10.—The Political Correspondence professes to have reliable information that Greece has only 8,000 troops in Thessaly, while the whole army effective there is only 14,000 men, and mobilization of the available force will realize barely 30,000 untrained troops.

Massacres in Crete.

London, March 10.—A dispatch from Candia, Crete, says: "News from the interior shows that massacres of Moslems by Christians are of almost hourly occurrence. Out of 167 Moslems in the village of Cydia only one person, a child, escaped slaughter."

Panama Canal Laborers Riot.

Colon, Columbia, March 10.—During a riot among the Panama canal laborers near Culebra yesterday three men were killed and thirty-three injured, some of them fatally.

Collector of Internal Revenue.

Washington, March 10.—It is understood that the nomination of Penrose L. McClain for collector of internal revenue at Philadelphia has been decided upon.

SMITH MURDER CASE.

Another Arrest Made.—Prosecution Confident of Conviction.

New Bloomfield, Pa., March 10.—The only new development in the Smith murder case was the lodging in jail last night of Samuel Smith, brother of Hugh. Samuel is charged with aiding Hugh to dispose of the body of the murdered girl. It was thought best not to arrest other parties said to be implicated and no other arrests will be made at present. The district attorney now claims to have conclusive evidence that the girl was killed on March 14, 1869, and claims to have no doubt that the guilty men are now in jail.

WEIGHED 400 POUNDS.

Death of a Woman Who Gained 300 Pounds in Three Years.

Pittsburg, March 10.—Mrs. Ruth Hollar, who weighed 400 pounds, died at her home in Allegheny last evening of fatty degeneration of the heart. Within the last three years Mrs. Hollar has increased in weight from scarcely 100 pounds to over 400 pounds. During the past six months she has lived in the second-story of her home being unable, on account of her enormous weight, to get either up or down stairs. She was only about four feet five inches in height.

Brave Sentence to Be Hanged.

Boston, March 10.—Thomas M. Bram, the convicted murderer of Capt. Nash of the barkentine Herbert Fuller was late yesterday afternoon in the United States circuit court sentenced to be hanged on Friday, June 15, in Charles street jail, this city. Sentence was pronounced by Judge Coit. Bram said in court: "In the presence of Almighty God, I am innocent of the crime of which I am charged. But not my will be done, but God's will, as it is done by His angels in Heaven."

Uncle Sam Sued for \$100,000.

Toronto, March 10.—A leading law firm of this city, acting for Sidney Slocom of Hamilton, Ont., formerly of Peoria, Ill., has entered suit against the United States government for \$100,000 for false arrest and imprisonment. Slocom was arrested at Hamilton about a year ago and extradited on a charge of attempted murder at Peoria. He was tried and acquitted after lingering in jail for several weeks. Slocom was put to big expense in fighting the case.

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New Jersey Congregational Union.

Plainfield, N. J., March 10.—At the annual conference of the Congregational churches of New Jersey, held at Bound Brook, the Congregational union of New Jersey was organized with the following officers: President, Rev. Dr. A. H. Bradford, Newark; secretary, Rev. H. S. Bliss, Trenton; treasurer, E. F. Meyers, Jersey City.

Against Lexow Trust Report.

Albany, March 10.—The democratic senators censured last evening and repudiated the action of Senator Metcalf of Brooklyn, a democratic member of the Lexow trust investigation committee, in approving the majority report of the committee except so far as it affected the American Sugar company.

Death of J. M. Oakley's Death.

San Francisco, March 10.—The coroner's jury in the case of John M. Oakley, the Pittsburg millionaire, who died at the Palace hotel a week ago under sensational circumstances, has returned a verdict giving the cause of his death as "excessive use of liquor."

Doctors To Aid the Cubans.

Buffalo, March 10.—A club was formed in this city last night of physicians, dental surgeons, chemists and pharmacists for the purpose of providing the army of liberation of free Cuba with the necessary remedial agents and surgical appliances.

Democratic Mayor for Plainfield.

Plainfield, N. J., March 10.—Col. John F. Wilson, democrat, defeated Charles Place for mayor in North Plainfield yesterday by a majority of about 100. The rest of the republican ticket was elected. The next common council will be republican.

Will Meet Next Year in Washington.

Baltimore, March 10.—The 113th session of the mother conference of Methodism in America, which was brought to a close yesterday, decided to meet next year in Washington.

Results of Elections in South Jersey.

Camden, N. J., March 10.—Returns received this morning show that most of the borough and township elections in south Jersey went the way of the republicans.

Abandoned at Sea.

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Ex-Secretary Carlisle To Practice in the South.

CHIEF COUNSEL FOR A RAILROAD

His First Case in Connection with the Big Fight Now Being Waged Between the Governor of North Carolina and the Southern Road over Land.

Lynchburg, Va., March 10.—Hon. John G. Carlisle, Cleveland's secretary of treasury, arrived in the city yesterday on the Florida special from Washington, and after remaining here for two or three hours, left on the Washington limited for Greensboro, N. C. On reaching Lynchburg he was met at the depot and driven up town. He was accompanied by J. E. McCarthy, trainmaster of the Southern railroad. It transpired later that Mr. Carlisle's mission here was in connection with the big railroad fight now being waged between the governor of North Carolina and the Southern railroad in regard to a lease in Carolina held by the Southern. Mr. Carlisle came here as special counsel for the Southern to see Judge Simonson of the United States circuit court. After hearing Mr. Carlisle's argument Judge Simonson granted the necessary papers for a rule against the directors of the North Carolina railroad to show cause why an injunction should not be issued against any attempt to break the lease made of that road to the Southern road. It is understood that Mr. Carlisle has accepted the position of chief counselor for the Southern railroad company.

PROBABLY A FILIBUSTER.

The Bermuda Said To Be Off Charleston Awaiting a Cargo of War Supplies.

Charleston, S. C., March 10.—The filibustering steamer Bermuda is supposed to be somewhere off Charleston, and it is understood that an attempt will be made to-night to put on board a cargo of arms, ammunitions and provisions from this city in lighters. A lighter-load was expected to be carried out early last night, but the presence of the monitors Amphitrite and Terror just off the bar using their searchlights is supposed to have caused a postponement. Two men claim to have seen the Bermuda early in the day, and another reports the presence in the city of Capt. Murphy, formerly of the Three Friends.

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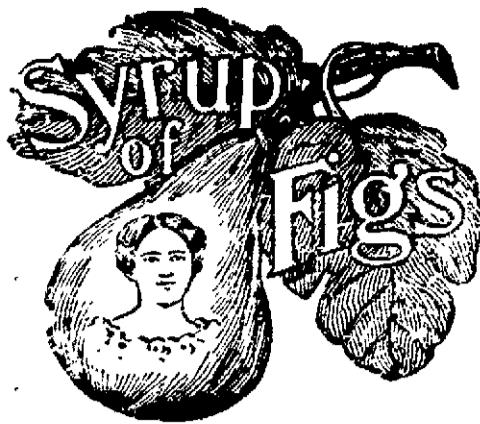
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Gladness Comes

With a better understanding of the transient nature of the many physical ills, which vanish before proper efforts—gentle efforts—pleasant efforts—rightly directed. There is comfort in the knowledge, that so many forms of sickness are not due to any actual disease, but simply to a constituted condition of the system, which the pleasant family laxative, Syrup of Figs, promptly removes. That is why it is the only remedy with millions of families, and is everywhere esteemed so highly by all who value good health. Its beneficial effects are due to the fact, that it is the one remedy which promotes internal cleanliness without debilitating the organs on which it acts. It is therefore still important, in order to get its beneficial effects, to note when you purchase, that you have the genuine article, which is manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co. only and sold by all reputable druggists.

If in the enjoyment of good health, and the system is regular, laxatives or other remedies are then not needed. If afflicted with any actual disease, one may be commended to the most skillful physicians, but if in need of a laxative, one should have the best, and with the well-informed everywhere, Syrup of Figs stands highest and is most largely used and gives most general satisfaction.

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IN ANCIENT GOSHEN.

Some Local and Personal Notes—A New Amusement—March as an Inspire of Poetical Sentiments.

From a Special Correspondent.

—Miss Annie Coleman, of Newburgh, is spending a few days with relatives in this village.

—While Mr. and Mrs. Augustus Mapes were in Washington, last week, Mrs. Mapes' trunk was broken open during her temporary absence from her hotel and a number of diamonds stolen from it.

—It is a strange fact that many of us are willing to work pretty hard if the result of our labors is to be something in the way of amusement. It is so in early youth,—cannot we all remember how willingly and cheerfully we dragged a sled up a steep hill, time after time, when we were coasting and how tired we always were when we were asked to do an errand? And we are apt to act upon very similar principles when we are children of a much larger growth. These moral reflections were called forth by reading of a new amusement indulged in by New York society people and called a March picnic. When the writer saw the heading of the article, she supposed it was a polite name for house cleaning, but upon investigating the subject more thoroughly, she found that the good people of Gotham were amusing themselves by taking up their drawing room carpets, scattering green excelsior upon the floor, placing trees in tubs at intervals, and erecting fences in their doorways, then turning their friends loose in these pastures and calling the whole a March picnic. The refreshments are brought upon the scene in hampers and eaten upon the greensward. The description of this festivity did not state whether local color is ever given by turning a ferocious bull loose among the guests or introducing a realistic thunder shower; but one cannot but think that the picnic part must come the next morning when they try to get the excelsior out of their clothes.

—The editor of the *Independent Republican* offers a prize for the best poem written upon spring. Any muse who thinks of going out to collect ideas for a poem during the lovely month of March, must hold up her skirts well to keep them out of the mud and take care that she is not blown away in a gale. Perhaps one of the most touching poems ever written upon this subject is that of the Burlington Hawkeye man's beginning:

—Dear little bluebird, herald of spring,
Swallow this couch drop, poor little thine,
Warble so joyously of April's approach,
Hunting around for a bronco troche,
If we could hibernate like some of the lower animals, or be Rip Van Winkles on a limited scale, and be gifted with the power of sleeping away one month in the year, how universally we should choose the present month to absent ourselves in spirit from this planet. The prospect of thirty-one days of oblivion of mud and storm and high winds would be a temptation not to be resisted by the average person.

G. H.

The Shakers have made a great hit. Their Digestive Cordial is said to be the most successful remedy for stomach trouble ever introduced. It immediately relieves all pain and distress after eating, builds up the feeble system and makes the weak strong.

The fact is, foods properly digested are better than so-called tonics. The Cordial not only contains food already digested, but is a digestor of other foods. Food that is not digested does more harm than good. People who use the Cordial insure the digestion of what food they eat and in this way get the benefit of it and grow strong.

The little pamphlets which the Shakers have sent druggists for free distribution, contain much interesting information on the subject of dyspepsia.

LAXOL is not a mixture of drugs. It is nothing but Castor Oil made palatable.

Everybody Says So.

Cascarets Candy Catalogue to those who are in doubt as to the taste, act gently and help some to the taste, act gently and positively on kidneys, liver, heart, nerves, cleansing the entire system, dissolved confection, tea, coffee, habitual constipation and indigestion. Please buy and try a box of C. C. C. today, 10 cents. Send and be guaranteed to cure by all druggists.

Inflammatory Rheumatism Cured in 3 Days.

Morton L. Hill, of Lebanon, Ind., says: "My wife had Inflammatory Rheumatism in every muscle and joint; her suffering was terrible and her body and face were swollen almost beyond recognition; had been in bed for six weeks and had eight physicians but received no benefit until she tried the MYSTIC CURE FOR RHEUMATISM. It gave immediate relief and she was able to walk about in three days. I am sure it saved her life." Sold by J. E. Mills.

If you have ever seen a child in the agony of croup, you can appreciate the gratitude of the mothers who know that One Minute Cough Cure relieves their little ones as quickly as it is administered. Many homes in this city are never without it. W. D. Olney.

It is surprising what a "wee bit of a thing" can accomplish. Sick headache, constipation, dyspepsia, sour stomach, dizziness, are quickly banished by DeWitt's Little Early Risers. Small pill best. W. D. Olney.

"I was completely covered with sores. Every muscle in my body ached. Had been sick for five years. Doctors could do me no good. Most of my time was spent in bed; was a complete wreck. Burdock Blood Bitters have completely cured me in three months." Mrs. Annie Zoepen, Crookston, Minn.

HEADACHE cured in 10 minutes by Dr. Miles' PAIN PILLS. "One cent a dose." At druggists.

DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve
Cures Piles, Sciatic, Burns.

CITY OFFICIALS' NEW QUARTERS

Figuring Up What It Will Cost to Furnish Them and Make Them Habitable.

It will probably surprise the taxpayers that the old Common Council and mayor should have leased for five years at an annual rental of \$1,000, rooms for the clerk and Common Council, police, engineers, assessors and water board, which were merely bare floors and walls and that a large sum of money will have to be expended before they are habitable. Recorder Barnes estimates that at least \$150 will be necessary to fit up his room alone.

The old Council was in a great hurry to close the deal, but we doubt very much if the present body would take the quarters on the same conditions.

This is one of the results of electing city officers in the fall. If they are not re-elected they lose all interest in city affairs.

Americans and Their Money.

A late issue of the *Farmers' Union* has an editorial upon "Coffee and its effect on health and public interests." The moral reflections were called forth by reading of a new amusement indulged in by New York society people and called a March picnic.

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It is said to be less acid and bitter than the lower grades of coffee, but has much the mellow piquancy of the more expensive grades of Java and the Arabian berry.

This grain Leverage never produces the unpleasant effect on heart or stomach and liver that is all too frequently the case with imported coffee, and while it looks and tastes like coffee, the originator expresses the wish that it be known as Postum Cereal, food drink, and not as an imitation of any other beverage, coffee, tea, chocolate, etc. This beverage is said to become very popular with those who find it hard to digest coffee, and the children can be served with it as a liquid food, pure and nourishing, while to them it appears like berry coffee. Postum, it seems, will go about three times as far as 30c coffee, and it is interesting to know that the company at Battle Creek, Mich., is working up quantities of wheat and other American cereals in its production, and that the money thus expended goes directly to the support of our American farmers. It is said to have found great favor with the wealthy classes for its ability to "make red blood" and with those who count the cost of food because of the economy and a marked improvement in general health when used. The gain to America by its general adoption should be great.

There is but one genuine original Postum Cereal coffee, with a multitude of imitations offered as "just as good."

Deafness Cannot Be Cured

by local applications as they can reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed, Deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

Third Witness—Yes, I saw the whole affair from the very start. The man what done the shooting was passing down one side of the street, when he seen three men running across vacant lot, trying to get away from him. Then he draws his gun and fires and that was the end of poor Jim. Nobody said a word during the whole affair.

Second Witness—Yes, I was right there through it all. The man who was shot came running across the street toward Rodgers, who was going along, minding his own business. Somebody yelled: "There he goes!" and then Rodgers was hit on the head with a brick and knocked down. He tried to get up, but six fellows were beating him, and, pulling out his revolver, he shot one of his assailants falling dead.

Third Witness—Well, I'll tell you how it was. Rodgers, here, was riding down the street in a top buggy and pretty soon Bullock, the man who was killed, came along on a bronco. When he caught up to Rodgers the bronco began to buck and there was a bad mixup. The buggy was upset and Bullock was thrown off. Then I heard the report of pistol and when the dust had cleared nobody was anywhere to be seen.

All the witnesses having been heard, the coroner flips a penny, "Tis heads," and the verdict is that the deceased came to his death because of a fatal bullet wound in the left breast, the identity of the shooter being as yet unknown.—Cleveland Leader.

—A new bartender made his appearance at the Palace Hotel, last Monday morning. He was formerly employed by Will McVey, of Walden. We wish him success in his new position.

—Daniel Tiford will open his saloon in Middletown about April 1st.

TWO DEAD; TWO MAY DIE.

Result of a Supposed Incendiary Fire in Brooklyn, N. Y.

Brooklyn, N. Y., March 10.—A fire in this city yesterday afternoon, supposed to be the work of an incendiary, caused the death of two persons and injured two others so badly that it is thought they will die. The dead are Charles Goddard, 40 years old, and John Duncan, 18 months. The latter was thrown from the fourth story window by his mother, Annie Duncan. She followed herself a minute later and is now in the Homeopathic hospital suffering from a fractured skull. Mrs. Goddard also jumped at the same time and received internal injuries that the doctors at the City hospital say may result in her death.

Death of John L. Sawyer.

Cherry Valley, N. Y., March 10.—John L. Sawyer, for the past twenty-five years editor of the *Cherry Valley Gazette*, is dead at his residence here.

He was graduated from Trinity college in 1851 and was principal of the Cherry Valley academy. Mrs. McKinley, wife of the present president of the United States, was one of his pupils.

Republican Steering Committee.

Washington, March 10.—Senator Allison, chairman of the republican caucus, has appointed the following steering committee: Senators Allison, Hale, Aldrich, Culom, Davis, Sewell and Carter. By the action of the caucus Mr. Allison is made chairman of the committee.

Kelley Defeats Plummer.

Birmingham, Eng., March 10.—The fight between Billy Plummer of England and Sammy Kelly of New York for \$1,000 a side and a purse of \$2,000 took place last night before the Olympic Sporting club of this city and was won by Kelly in twenty rounds.

\$150,000 for Charity.

Worcester, Mass., March 10.—The will of Mrs. Nathaniel Thayer of Lancaster, died for probate here, leaves more than \$150,000 to various New England charitable objects.

GETTING AT THE FACTS.

Stories of Three Witnesses in the Coroner's Office.

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NEW YORK MARKETS.

Wheat—Market dull and very weak, May, 80 1/2c.; July, 78 1/2c.; Sept., 75 1/2c.

Corn—Market steady, and firm, May, 30 1/2c.; July, 31 1/2c.

Oats—Spot trade firm and steady, May, 41 1/2c.

Pork—Market firm and unchanged. Extra prime, medium, short, clear, \$5.75 to 10.25; mess, \$5.50 to 7.50; family, \$5.50 to 10.00.

Lard—Market quiet; moderate trade, 15c. western, 14c. to 15c.

Lard—Market quiet; prices steadier, Saco and Pennsylvania, fresh, 12 1/2c.; ice horse-lard, \$1.75 to \$2.50; western, 15c. to 18c.; limed, 18c. to 20c.

Flour—Fairly active and steady, eastern, western, extras, 19c.; state, 15c.; Pennsylvania, extras, 16c.; ice, 18c.; western seconds, 16c.; state, 15c.; set, dairy, half-husk, tubs, 14c.; state, extras, 18c.; flour, 16c.; western, imitation, 14c.; ice, 16c.

Meat—Fairly active and steady, eastern, western, extras, 19c.; state, 15c.; Pennsylvania, extras, 16c.; ice, 18c.; western seconds, 16c.; state, 15c.; set, dairy, half-husk, tubs, 14c.; state, extras, 18c.; flour, 16c.; western, imitation, 14c.; ice, 16c.

Cheese—Market firm; fair demand, large size, fall made, colored, 24c.; large, common to choice, part skim, 16c. to 18c.

Potatoes—Market quiet and easy, Long Island, in bulk, per barrel, \$1.25 to 1.45; New Jersey, round, choice, per barrel, 90c. to \$1.12. Sweet potatoes, 75c. to \$1.50.

Lard—Market quiet; prices steady, 15c. to 18c.

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WEDNESDAY, MARCH 10, 1897.

WEATHER INDICATIONS.

BY UNITED PRESS.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 10.—Generally
fair to-night; Thursday, colder
northwesterly winds.THE TEMPERATURE.
The following was the registry of the thermom-
eter at Pronk's drug store, to-day:
7 a. m., 39°; 12 m., 52°; 3 p. m., 54°.AMUSEMENT AND RECREATION.
—March 10—Killarney and the Rhine," at the
Casino.
—March 12—Temple Quartette, at Casino, bene-
fit of the M. C. A.
—March 13—Mending and darning sociable at
First Presbyterian Church.
—March 17—DeWitt's Fifes and Drum Corps mas-
querade ball, at Assembly Rooms.
—April 22—Ball of Surprise Hook and Ladder
Co., at Assembly Rooms.
—April 23—Bachelor Club hop.The Elmira *Gazette*, which in the past
has often been the mouthpiece of David
B. Hill, intimates that his retirement
from the Senate does not mean that he
is out of politics. It would be strange
indeed if Mr. Hill bade farewell to political
activity. He has been a gifted and
resourceful leader and though often pro-
nounced "dead and buried" has refused
to remain so. His six years' service in
the Senate has broadened him in many
ways and his wise and conservative
course on many important questions has
won for him the good opinion of many
who distrusted him. When brighter days
dawn for the Democracy of New York it
is safe to say that Senator Hill will have
another resurrection.More full returns from last week's local
elections throughout the State show
most surprising Democratic gains. They
are so general in both city and country
that they cannot be explained as due to
local causes and the unusually heavy
vote that was polled negatives the ex-
cuse put forward by some Republican
organs that Republicans took no interest
in the contests. Some of the more
important gains are as follows: Canan-
daigua, Senator Raines' town, which
gave McKinley 556 majority was carried
by the Democrats by majorities ranging
from 7 to 206. Saratoga, Republican
last fall by 661, elected the entire Democratic
ticket except a few constables, and in
fourteen other towns in Saratoga, the
Republican losses range from 100 to 300.
Hornellsville, which gave McKinley 356
majority elected the entire Democratic
ticket. Bath 561 majority last fall, carried
by Democrats. Corning, 562 for
McKinley elected a Democratic assessor
and two Democratic aldermen. Ilion,
Republican last year by 200, gave an
average Democratic majority of 400.
Scores of country towns swung over
from the Republican into the Democratic
column. It looks very much as if a re-
action against Republicanism had al-
ready set in. Promises of prosperity to
follow the return of confidence which
were so recklessly made during the cam-
paign and which have failed of fulfill-
ment easily account for a change of front
by thousands of voters.WOULD HAVE MADE A DIFFERENCE
From the Albany ArgusPresident Cleveland's courtesy to his
successor has been gracious in the extreme,
and has indicated clearly that the
retiring president is not always wanting in
the little amenities and kindnesses of life.
What a pity that some of them
might not have been shown to the leaders
of his own party! How differently the
political history of the last four years
might read if they had!

THEY'LL SOON BE MARRIED.

Mrs. Mary L. Musgrave, of No. 161
South street, has issued invitations to
the marriage of her daughter, Thirza M.,
to Sheldan J. Bross, Wednesday evening,
March 17th, 1897, at 8 o'clock.The groom is a well known painter of
this city who has engaged in the bakery
business with his brother, George, in the
store formerly occupied by George Hum-
mel.The bride for several years was a book-
keeper for the Great A. and P. Tea Co.,
and for the past two years has managed
the company's Ithaca branch store.A PLEASANT SURPRISE.
The friends of Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Case,
gave them a genuine surprise, at their
home, No. 18 Grant street, last evening.
Whist and dancing were the features of
the evening. At 11 o'clock, refreshments
were served. All had a pleasant time
until about 1 o'clock when the company
dispersed.

LATEST BY TELEGRAPH

A BILL TO REVISE THE INSANITY
LAWS.

BY UNITED PRESS.

ALBANY, March 10.—Mr. Bedell has in-
troduced a bill generally revising the in-
sanity laws. Among other things it
provides that the State Commission in
Lunacy shall recommend the construc-
tion of State hospitals when the number
of inmates in any one of them exceeds
2,000 and allowing private patients to
have special attention and attendants at
their own expense.THROUGH A TRESTLE TO DEATH.
BY UNITED PRESS.TERRE HAUTE, March 10.—The train
which left here at 5:38 this morning
went down with a trestle at White
River bridge, four miles below Vincennes.
Reports are that of more than seventy
passengers less than ten have been taken
out alive. Nothing can be seen except
the smoke stack of the locomotive and
top rear of the pullman.LEGISLATION FOR SULLIVAN CO.
BY UNITED PRESS.ALBANY, March 10.—Assemblyman Mc-
Laughlin has introduced a bill appropri-
ating \$1,200 to repair the State Fish
Hatchery of Sullivan county. Also a bill
making the offices of Sullivan county
clerk and sheriff salaried.TO ABOLISH CORONERS' JURIES
BY UNITED PRESS.ALBANY, March 10.—Assemblyman
Goodsell has introduced a bill abolishing
coroners' juries and providing that
coroners' inquests shall be conducted by
coroners without a jury.BI-ENNIAL ELECTIONS FOR GOSHEN
BY UNITED PRESS.ALBANY, March 10.—Mr. Bedell intro-
duced a bill in Assembly, to-day, provid-
ing for biennial elections of town officers
in Goshen.THE SENATE ADJOURNS.
BY UNITED PRESS.WASHINGTON, D. C., March 10.—The
United States Senate at noon, to-day,
adjourned *sine die*.

A CLOSE CONTEST.

The Blues and Reds Add Many Mem-
bers to the Y. M. C. A.—Winners Eat a
Fine Supper—the Losers Dine on
Crackers and Cheese—A Pleasing
Entertainment.The members of the Y. M. C. A. were
divided into two classes some time ago—
one being designated the "Blues" and
the other the "Reds" and entered a con-
test to secure new members, the winners
to receive a fine banquet while the losers
were to dine on crackers and cheese.
The contest closed at 7 o'clock, last
evening, and the association rooms were
crowded to witness the result.A pleasing entertainment was first
given as follows:Blues and mandolin duet, Misses Hattie
Hulse and Mand Sharp; trio, violins and
bass viol, Misses Parkins, Berg and Mc-
Williams; recitation, Miss Hattie Hulse;

mandolin duet, Misses Hulse and Sharp;

recitation, A. M. Payne; cornet solo,
Arthur Parkins; trio, violins and cornet,
Misses Parkins, Berg and McWilliams.

Mrs. C. H. Sweezy was the accompanist.

General Secretary Rifenbary then read
the names of the thirty-three new mem-
bers gained by the "Reds" and "Blues" during
the month, and they were seated at the
banquet table. He then announced that
the "Blues" were the winners in the con-
test, having secured 17 new members to
16 obtained by the "Reds." The "Blues"
were then invited to join the new mem-
bers and they were served with a fine
collation by the supper committee of the
Ladies' Auxiliary.The "Reds" were seated at another
table and the menu consisted only of
crackers and cheese.The winners were, of course, delighted
with their victory and the losers were
disappointed.The ladies had provided more ice-cream
and cake than the winners and new mem-
bers could eat and the hungry looks of
the "Reds" touched their hearts and they
were allowed to top off the meal of
crackers and cheese with cake and cream.President J. E. Mills delivered an ad-
dress of welcome to the new members
and explained to them the objects and
aims of the Y. M. C. A.

At Grace Church To-night.

The Rev. Nelson F. Strader, rector of
St. John's Church, Ellenville, will preach in
Grace Church, this evening.FACE
HUMORSPimples, blotches, blackheads, red, rough,
oily, mother-of-pearl, scaling, scaly scalp, dry,
thin, and falling hair, and bony blemishes
prevented by Cuticura Soap, the most
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The fine farm known as the Sinclair place near Bloomingdale, in Orange county, on the Newburgh turnpike. The farm contains about 225 acres, 70 acres of which are planted with 11,000 peach trees just coming in full bearing, and nearly \$2,000 netted from the crop last year. The farm is in good state of cultivation and will bear many more. Good outbuildings, a complete stock of farm implements, good condition, will be sold with the farm. This farm has fine water, is well situated, fine view on the Shawaneseck Mountains and location an exceptionally healthy one. Will be sold at a bargain.

GARDNER & McWILLIAMS, NO. 25

DAILY ARGUS.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 10, 1897.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

—Fine shade at Greening's.
—Sewing and darning souable March 16th.
—See removal of Dewey & Mundy.
—Hop at Columbia Park, Thursday night.
—Timothy bay for sale by D. P. Miller.
—Good properties for sale and to let by John Ferguson.
—Up-to-date wash fabrics at Geo. B. Adams.
—Nunyan's Remedies for sale by druggists.
—Postum, substitute for coffee, at grocers.
—Lydia Plukhman—woman's friend.

LIVE LOCAL TOPICS.

—Additional local matter on third page.

—J. E. Toole, an excellent German dialect comedian, at the Casino, to-night.

—Don't forget the auction sale of household furniture, at No. 7 North street, to-morrow afternoon, at 1:30.

—J. E. Toole in "Killarney and the Rhine," at the Casino, to-night, will be immense, according to the verdict of the exchanges.

—W. A. Lawrence & Son, of Chester, made, Monday, their largest shipment of Neufchâtel cheese, 1,500 boxes weighing seven pounds each.

—Owing to a heavy fog in New York and vicinity which delayed ferry boats, Erie train 21 was half an hour late on reaching this city to-day.

—A recent fall in the price of onions from \$3.50 to \$2.50 a barrel has diminished the prospective profits of Chester parties, who have large quantities of onions on hand.

—Another hop at Columbia Park under the auspice's of Parkin's Orchestra, to-morrow evening. Tickets for gentlemen, including car fare, 25 cents, on sale at Pronk's. Ladies admitted free.

PERSONAL.

—Miss Charlotte Reeve died at Thrall Hospital, this morning.

—H. W. Custer, of Easton, Pa., was in this city, yesterday, on business.

—Miss Julia Myers went to Newark, to-day, to visit Mrs. D. C. Sayer.

—N. Schellenberg returned, last evening, from his visit to relatives and friends in Boston.

—Miss Claribel Pillsbury went to New York, to-day, to visit her friend, Miss Mollie Kimber.

—Miss Hattie Wolff, daughter of ex-Alderman Chas. Wolff, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Aaron Samuels, in Port Jervis.

—Dr. A. P. Powelson and R. D. Denton were elected members of the Middletown Club at a meeting held last night.

—Mrs. Wm. R. Fuller and daughter, of King street, returned home, yesterday, from a week's visit to relatives and friends in Buffalo, Rochester and other places west.

—Watt. Lawrence made a visit to Middletown, last week. It is even berating now whether Watt. will reside in Middletown or bring the young lady here.—*Liberty Gazette*.

—John J. Sullivan, clerk for John E. Adams, whose illness with pneumonia has been noted, is very low. His condition, this morning, caused his friends considerable alarm.

—Mrs. C. E. Samuels who spent the winter with her sister, Mrs. H. V. Wright, in this city, will go to-morrow to Riverside, a suburb of Paterson, where she will spend the summer.

—Among those who attended the organ-piano recital Monday night, were: Mr. and Mrs. George W. Young, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Marvin and Mrs. George A. Swalm, of Middletown.—*Port Jervis Gazette*.

—Lawrence Horan, an old employee of the late George P. Pelton, of Poughkeepsie, has been missing for several days. He was discharged after Mr. Pelton's death and has been despondent and it is feared may have committed suicide.

—Paul Canfield, of Union College, son of the Superintendent of the O. and W. E. C. Canfield, of this city, has been elected secretary of the Intercollegiate Association of the State of New York. This is the highest office in the association which may be held by an undergraduate.

THE BOARD OF HEALTH.

Organized Last Night—Officers Elected

The Board of Health met, last evening, and organized for the ensuing year by electing the following officers:

Vice-President—Warren J. Adams.

Secretary—F. W. Elliott.

Registrar of Vital Statistics—C. C. Lutes.

Health Officer—Dr. W. J. Nelson.

Sanitary Inspector—C. C. Foss.

Only routine business was transacted.

Don't Want Milk from Holsteins.

Alex. Campbell & Co., proprietors of the Oxford creamery, have thrown out several large dairies because they are composed of Holsteins and their milk is deficient in butter fats.

A Fortieth Wedding Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. A. Smith will celebrate the fortieth anniversary of their marriage at their home, No. 49 John street, this evening.

Annual Report of Vital Statistics.

The annual report of the Registrar of Vital Statistics was received at this office, to-day, but too late for publication. It will appear to-morrow.

Best of All

To cleanse the system in a gentle and truly beneficial manner, when the spring-time comes, use the true and perfect remedy, Syrup of Pigs. One bottle will answer for all the family and costs only 50 cents; the large size \$1. Buy the genuine. Manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Company only, and for sale by all druggists.

MRS. WAGNER NOT AT FAULT

SO SAYS THE CORONER'S JURY THAT INVESTIGATED HER HUSBAND'S DEATH.

When She Threw the Lamp that Caused the Fatal Burns She Believed Her Life Was in Danger—Her Story of the Fatal Quarrel—Neighbors Corroborate Her Story—Wagner Was Quarrelsome and Ugly When Drunk—Testimony in Detail.

The inquest in the case of George A. Wagner, who died at Thrall Hospital, Friday night, from the effect of burns received at his home on Sprague avenue, Friday morning, was completed, last evening.

George H. Decker, Esq., represented District Attorney Powelson and examined the witnesses. His examination was as thorough as it could have been and brought out all the testimony obtainable or at least that could be introduced at an inquest. Mrs. Wagner was represented by her counsel, J. L. Wiggins, Esq.

Mrs. Wagner was the first witness. She was plainly suffering from nervous excitement, but she answered questions promptly and told her story of that eventful morning in a straightforward way that convinced the jury of her truthfulness.

She said she never saw any indications that her husband drank before their marriage, nor afterwards, until within two years. He occasionally came home after being at a lodge or elsewhere and was gruff and cross. She always noticed a change in his manner, his voice and his language. He used profane and obscene language on such occasions. Thursday night he left home for the lodge at 7:30, said good night pleasantly.

When he came home she asked, "Is that you George?" He said yes and when she asked the time he said ten minutes after one. He walked steady, but she realized from his voice and manner that he had been drinking. She did not go near him as she did not think it safe as he had acted that way before and three times before he had attacked her.

She asked him to sit down and have some supper and he replied: "I don't want any supper."

She said to him it was late and he had better eat something and go to bed as she was very tired. He said he was not going to bed and added: "I have something to say to you."

"I'M GOING TO FIX YOU."

He then went to the kitchen and came back with the carving knife in his hand and said: "I'm going to fix you to-night with this." She asked him to put up the knife but he said he would not and told her if she came near him or attempted to go to the neighbors he would kill her. He was on one side of the baby carriage, she on the other and she was afraid to move. She told him she must have a drink as she was choking. He said she should not have it. Then he said: "If you go in that kitchen, you are a dead woman: if you open either door or cry or make a sound you are a dead woman." His husband started around the child's carriage and she ran to the kitchen door. He caught and threw her down and said she was not going out of the door alive. She escaped and threw open the window and cried for help but he closed the window. She again rushed to the door but it was locked and the key was hanging up. Wagner seized her and while she struggled with one hand she reached the key with the other and unlocked the door but he stood over her with his hand, in which was the knife, raised above her and he again told her she would not get out alive. It was then she seized the lamp which stood on the table near her and threw it.

THE STRUGGLE AT THE DOOR.

She then described the struggle at the door while Wagner's clothing was burning which continued until they were in the yard when he told her to cry "fire" and "help" which she did; also her efforts to extinguish the flames.

When they were in the house he said: "This is dreadful! I am terribly burned. Go for the doctor as quick as possible."

The witness identified the knife in possession of the coroner and said the last time she saw it was in Wagner's hand at the kitchen door.

THE DOCTORS' TESTIMONY.

Dr. Schultz testified to the nature of Wagner's burns. He saw the knife found in the bed by E. L. McRea. It was a table knife and not the one shown him by the coroner. He was under the impression it had been used to spread vaseline on the bandages he found on the man's head and body when he arrived.

Dr. M. J. who attended Wagner at the hospital, testified to the nature of the burns which he said covered probably one sixth of the surface of the body. He believed the immediate cause of death was shock resulting from the burns and said if the patient had rallied from the shock he might have recovered.

A NEIGHBOR'S TESTIMONY.

Mrs. Granville Stevens who lives next door heard Mrs. Wagner calling for help and looked out of the window and thought Wagner's kitchen was on fire, and called her husband and sons. She then saw Mr. and Mrs. Wagner struggling in the kitchen and go out the back door and thought they were throwing out something that was on fire, but discovered that Wagner had his arm around his wife and she was trying to get away. She heard Mrs. Wagner crying for help and say "My man's off," and saw her put out the flames, corroborating Mrs. Wagner's story is that particular.

Witness said she had heard Mrs. Wagner's screams in the night, but had seen no trouble between the couple. One night in January she heard Mrs. Wagner's screams. Had heard Mr. Wagner's story is that particular.

Wagner abusing his wife in summer, using profane and obscene language. Witness admitted she did not like Mrs. Wagner.

WANTED A DOCTOR.

Alanson Stevens, son of the former witness, went to the house after the couple had gone in the house and asked through the open window where both were standing, "what is the matter." Wagner said he was burning up and asked him to go for Dr. Spiegel which he bid but was sent to Dr. Schultz.

Granville Stevens knew nothing about the matter except as he was told by his family. He had heard of trouble between the Wagners, but knew nothing except that one night last winter he found a policeman walking up and down in front of his house, and was told by the officer that he was watching the Wagner house as Mrs. Wagner had asked for police protection.

FOUND A KNIFE IN THE BED.

J. L. McRea testified to rendering assistance to Mrs. Wagner after the fire and the finding of the knife in the bed. It was not the knife in possession of the coroner. It was an ordinary table knife and he supposed it had been used in spreading vaseline on the bandages.

WAGNER'S CRUELTY TO HIS WIFE.

Mrs. D. B. Bush, who lives across the street, was a most important witness. She knew nothing of this affair until next morning. She knew of Wagner's cruel treatment of his wife, however. Last December Mrs. Wagner came to her house for protection, saying her husband had driven her out with a pistol and had chased her with the pistol the previous night. Her husband came for her soon afterwards. One morning afterwards Mrs. Wagner came in with a revolver and asked her to keep it as she did not feel safe with it in her house. She had a very black eye and there were finger marks on her throat. She said her husband had struck and choked her.

Witness kept the pistol two weeks when Mrs. Wagner came for it and said she was going to give it to Lawyer J. L. Wiggins.

WANTED POLICE PROTECTION.

Capt. Gould testified to a complaint made against her husband by Mrs. Wagner. She showed finger prints on her throat and said her husband had assaulted her. He advised arrest and imprisonment or fine but she said she needed her husband's time and money and would not agree. He then advised having the Recorder send for Wagner and talk to him but she said the first time he came home after drinking he would make trouble, and he then sent Officer Walsh to be on hand if Wagner made trouble that night when he came home from the lodge as his wife expected he would.

D. B. Bush knew nothing of the Wagner's troubles except what he had heard. He had seen Mrs. Wagner with a black eye and finger marks on her throat.

QUICK TEMPERED AND IRRITABLE.

Henry Sengstacken worked at the condensery with Wagner, was a member of the same lodge and knew him well. He was quick tempered and irritable, especially when he did not feel good. Witness and Wagner left the lodge room together Thursday night, walked to Pfaff's hotel and had two drinks of whiskey each. They separated at 12 o'clock.

MORE EVIDENCE BY MRS. WAGNER.

Mrs. Wagner was recalled. She knew nothing about the knife found in the bed. A week before Christmas Wagner came home intoxicated and brought a pistol which he loaded in her presence, and threatened to shoot her if she attempted to alarm the neighbors. After she had given the pistol to Mr. Wiggins, Wagner missed it and asked for it. She told him what she had done with it and said she was afraid of her life.

Mr. Wiggins produced the revolver which Mrs. Wagner identified.

Mrs. Bush was recalled and identified the carving knife as one she had found on the floor under the edge of the table near the kitchen door.

THE VERDICT.

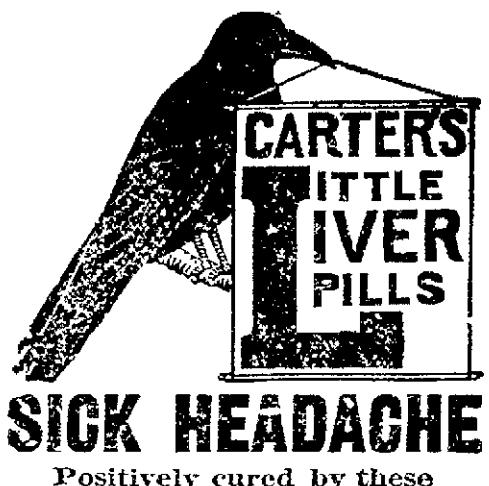
The jury after a few minutes consultation agreed upon the following verdict:

We do find that the deceased came to his death from shock resulting from burns upon his body, said burns having been caused by the explosion of a lamp thrown by his wife, Henrietta Eliza Lummis Wagner, on March 5, 1897, at his home, No. 55 Sprague avenue, in the city of Middletown, N. Y.

We further find that the said Mrs. Wagner threw the said lamp while in a state of terror produced by the threatening words and actions of deceased who she believed intended to take her life.

THE DOCTORS' TESTIMONY.

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DRAWING OF JURORS.

ORANGE COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE,
GOSHEN, N. Y., March 5, 1897.

Notice is hereby given that a panel of Grand
and Petit Jurors, to serve at a Trial term of Su-
preme Court, to be held in and for the county of
Orange, at the Court House in Newburgh, on
the 10th Monday of April, 1897, will be drawn at
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THE SURVIVAL.

BY PAUL SHOUP.

I'm threw another log on the camp-
fire, and the blazing circle of light grew
to its old dimensions. We could see the
stars dodging back and forth behind
the tops of the pines, and the lone
coyote who had a monopoly of noises
down the gulch was indulging us with a
temporary rest. The Patriarch occu-
pied the seat of honor, a camp-stool,
and the rest of us were ranged on a
tree-trunk.

The Patriarch looked at me. "I'll
do you the favor," he said, "of filling my
pipe with your tobacco. Speakin' of
sea-yarns, that story of Jim's about the
icebergs that hunted in pairs, keepin' a
keen lookout to squeeze a ship caught
without a breeze, while the polar bears
sat by and laughed, was tol'ly good;
and the one you told about the Thing
that could stand on its head on the floor
of the ocean and flap the face of heaven
with its tail, was purty fair, yes, purty
fair. But they war just yarbs, plain
yarbs, neatly unraveled. And that
makes me think of what old Absalom
Biggs used to say: 'Always tell the
truth, my lad, if you're a master smart
hand at it.'

"Absalom had a distant relative—he
lived in Nantucket, and his brother was
anchored in Jamaica—who bought and
sold everything, from queer shells to
queer money. His brother was a smart
man, nigh as smart as Absalom himself,
and he might have lived to be a great
one if they had given him plenty of rope.
As it was, he war a little too high-
strung to make a success of life. It's
queer how the turriners acquire all of
our improvements, even the art of
lynching."

"Absalom was master and sole pro-
prietor of the good old tradin' brig,
Keep Mum. They war two of a kind. Ab-
salom and the brig. Absalom wore a

suit of homespun that hung on him like
a sail wrapped around a wind-mill, and
the brig was all right if she was only as
black as she was painted, for she
needed sprucin' up badly; but they war
both hard to beat in their deceptive
lines. I reckon. The Keep Mum was
one of the best of her kind that ever
faded out of sight of a revenue cutter,
and Absalom was entitled to a patent
right on lots of the tricks of his trade.
He was a quiet kind of man, though he
had a good command of language, re-
sultin' from hard study of circus-posters
when he was a lad, and the Keep
Mum sailed so stilly that the wind
couldn't whistle through her riggin'.

"Now, Absalom was a temperance
man from principle and interest,
though he wasn't particularly religious
and worshiped nothin' so far as I
know, except savin' banks. 'Never
taste the intoxicatin' cup, young man,' he
used to say; 'you might miss a
chance to make a dollar.' But just the
same, after his brother came aboard at
the end of my first trip to Kingston,
bringin' with him a mysterious air
(kind of strongly scented), Absalom
loaded the Keep Mum up with rum.
And such rum! In barrels, with rusted
hoops and cobwebs clingin' round 'em,
they hoisted it on board. The pirates
that hid it a century before stored
nothin' weak, and every year added to
its strength. Our second mate, who
was a man of much liquid experience
ashore as well as at sea, took a cargo of
one cup. It was just three days before
he could navigate, and—would you be-
lieve it!—for two weeks after that
when he dreamt of that rum at night
he'd wake up in the mornin' tipsy.

"Absalom was a man who glanced
over newspapers from curiosity and
read trade journals for profit. So I knew
somethin' extremely uncommon was up
when he spent a whole forenoon porin'
over a newspaper, with his elbows on
the table and his fingers clutched in his
hair; and when I heard it chukle, I
was interested. Absalom figs never
wasted a chukle. I heard him say, as
he went out of the cabin: 'They're
strong in the body, but weak in the
head.'

"Of course I picked up the paper. It
told story of an awful tribe of
savagels who resided on the west
coast of Africa. It seem I they war
a crew of regular hooksteerers, for all
the miss'ries who went there war
ever'ly taken in. Then the queen of
Portland sent down a gunboat, and the
captain of the gunboat, the man with
a white flag and a proclamation in
violent language to these savagins.
There was some mis'understandin'
about the matter, for the cannibals ate
up the oil in the oil and the proclaimin'-
flag. But the captain's feelin' very
nook, so he lunged most of his force
and went after the heathen. Alas! he
didn't know 'em. I don't mean all of
the affect'n' lines, the poor larryate
savagins, but the centerpiece of
the work run son'at'n' I'll be this:

"I war an affect'n' for to do
And havin' nothin' much to do
I took the tars, the sun was hot-
I took the sun, sed'ed sit
Then war that a good t'row!

"Her majesty in used a reception on
account of that, and the foreign secretary
missed two first-class races. Then
a cruiser went down to the ocean, but
the captain, not bein' onto his job,
was shortly on the rocks, and when the
mss'ry ashore, the heathen met 'em
with a hearty reception. And it was
awful manayin' after that to the people
of the English boat that went sailin'
to see them savagins assatin' on the
rocks and sunnin' themselves, dressed
in British naval uniforms and sarcastic
smiles. And the foreign secretary had
taken to his bed. So the papers said.

"We said for London to-morrow," said
Absalom Biggs, who was standin'
in the doorway with his hands in his
pockets. All the information you ever
got out of Absalom about his business
was volunteered, so I saved my breath
by askin' no questions.

"We reached London, and Absalom
put on his best store-suit to go up to see
the foreign secretary. He put one leg
of his trousers outside his boot and one
inside, 'for I don't know,' says he, 'how



Women get plenty of sympathy after they
are dead. Tom Hood made a very pathetic
picture in his "Bridge of Sighs," but the
probabilities are that the woman needed
sympathy a great deal more before she died
than she did afterwards. Thousands of women
enduring much worse things than a death.

The most distressing thing about it
is that it is needless. Utmost troubles are considered well-nigh
incurable. Women seem to think that they
must go on bearing these things forever. To
be sure, some of them make an effort to get
well by going to their physicians, but thousands
are deterred from this, both because they
have seen that it was not likely to do
much good, and because they knew that the
first thing the physician would insist upon
would be the examinations and local treat-
ment so justly abhorred to every modest
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doctors frequently doctor women for neural-
gia, or dyspepsia, or insomnia, when the real
trouble is in the organs distinctly feminine.

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has run on so long that the entire system is

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POROUS PLASTERS for all kinds of lame-
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UP THE MIDLAND.

A Liberal Settlement of Fire Loss—Few Rafts This Year—Effects of "Orange Fruit"—Common Sense in Road Improvement—A Railroad Tie Market—Rockland as a Lumber Market—The Needs of the Milk Business—Organizing the Milk Produce.

Correspondence of Aegis and Mercury.

—I. T. Watson, of Roscoe, has a contract with a Binghamton firm to supply them with material for 8,000 onion crates.

—The insurance adjuster dealt very liberally in settling the loss of the Roscoe Presbyterian parsonage, paying the pastor, \$650 for his loss on the contents and \$625 on the building. The Roscoe-Rockland people also gave the pastor a donation shortly after the fire of \$102.

—There will be but few logs rafted down the river this season compared with the runs of years past. So long as lumbermen can get \$7 or more a thousand feet for hemlock logs loaded on the cars they have no disposition to take the risk of rafting them and perhaps selling them for from \$5 to \$10 in the down river market.

—Billy Smith, of the town of Colchester, imbibed to freely of Roscoe orange fruit and was fined \$10 by Squire Darbee for being drunk and disorderly. No evidence was needed to prove that he was both drunk and disorderly as when requested to keep quiet he hauled off and gave the Court one over the eye, breaking (his Court's) spectacles.

—Of course there would soon be a stone crusher in every road district if the taxpayers would let the manufacturers have their own way. Too much credit is given the road worker where roads are growing better and not enough to the wide tired wagon. The heavy loaded wagon with a wide tire is a combination of a stone crusher, road worker and general road improver all in one and too much cannot be said in its favor.

—East Branch is the tie station on the O. and W. at present and must remain so for some time to come or until the supply is exhausted or the East Branch valley has a railroad of its own. Those owning timber suitable for ties find that they can be floated down that stream from ten to twenty miles at small cost. Two or three men can easily handle a raft of five hundred ties, and do it cheaper than the same ties can be hauled three miles by team.

—Rockland, as the name implies is the land of stone. Not only is it the El Dorado of the quarrymen, but also of the lumbermen as well. There will be got to the two extensive steam mills at the Rockland station many million feet of lumber the present winter. For the next ten years after the Midland was completed Livingston Manor forged ahead as the lumber port and left all other stations behind. Now Rockland takes the lead.

—An organization with Short Supply as president, Quick Demand as secretary and Good Times as treasurer will do more towards helping the milk producers than all the Orange county milk-wars, producers unions and five-states associations that were ever thought of. The old Milk Exchange Limited was a bad lot and the Consolidated Exchange is not a whit better and just so long as the producers will glut the market so long will the exchangeers/men rule the roost.

—The organization of local branches of the Five States Milk Producers' Association still goes bravely on, the last meeting having been held at Walton. The Reporter, of that village, requests its readers to give their views on the milk question. You Orange county newspaper men have been through all that twenty years ago and yet the solution of the vexed question is as far away as ever. It would seem as if the old problem of who struck Billy Patterson would be decided long before the Inter-State Commerce Commission made public their findings in the pro rata milk freight case.

DOINGS OF THE 24TH.

Annual Meeting—Election Postpone—Base Ball To-morrow Night—Tenth Anniversary "Speaker."

—The annual meeting of the 24th Separate Company was held, last evening. The election of officers, however, was deferred until the April meeting.

—The Fourth Section met and a picketing will struggle for the supremacy in the afternoon and to-morrow night. Ten cents admission will be charged to outsiders.

—The company's "Speaker" will be held Tuesday evening, March 30th. A first-class entertainment will be provided followed by a feast of steamed clams. The event will commemorate the tenth anniversary of the organization of the company.

A New Veterinary Surgeon.

Dr. Bush, of Oneonta, a veterinary surgeon, has decided to locate in this city. He arrived in town last night and his family will follow. His headquarters for the present will be at Wood & Baldwin's stable.

A Point to Remember.

Leaven a dash to purify your blood you should take a medicine which cures blood diseases. The record of cures by Hood's Sarsaparilla proves that this is the best medicine for the blood ever produced. Hood's Sarsaparilla cures the most stubborn cases and it is the medicine for you to take if your blood is pure.

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I was dreadfully ill—the doctors said they could cure me but failed to do so.

I gave up in despair and took to my bed. I had dreadful pains in my heart, fainting spells, sparks before my eyes—and some.

times I would get so blind, I could not see for several minutes.

I could not stand very long without feeling sick and vomiting. I could not breathe a long breath without screaming, my heart pained so.

I also had female weakness, inflammation of ovaries, painful menstruation, displacement of the womb, itching of the external parts, and ulceration of the womb. I have had all these complaints.

The pains I had to stand were something dreadful. My husband told me to try a bottle of Lydia E. Pinkham's medicine, which I did, and after taking it for a while, was cured. No other kind of medicine for me as long as you make Compound. I hope every woman who suffers will take your Compound and be cured.—Mrs. J. S. McGILLAS, 113 Kilburn avenue, Rockford, Ill.

JOHN POWERS' ATTEMPT AT SUICIDE.

Not Afraid of Death, but Ran from an Officer—Sent Down to Sober Up.

Mike Malloy, a well known character residing at the Summit, rushed into police court about 5 o'clock, yesterday afternoon, and informed the police that his stepson, John Powers, had attempted suicide by hanging at the tank at the Summit. He claimed to have discovered the would-be suicide just in time to cut the rope and save his life. Officer Wood went with Malloy to the Summit, but young John saw the officer approach and started on a run through the fields. He had only a pair of stockings on his feet and the officer soon caught him.

He had been drinking heavily and as signed this as the cause for his desire to quit this sphere. Recorder Barnes sent him to jail for thirty days, this morning, to allow him to sober up.

Real Estate Sales.

—Through the insurance and real estate agency of Gardner & McWilliams, Francis H. McWilliams has sold his premises, No. 16 Wickham avenue, to J. O. Austin of Unionville. Mr. Austin gives in exchange his house and lot with twelve acres of land located at Unionville. Mr. McWilliams will move to Unionville April 1st.

Population of the State Hospital.

According to the *Conglomerate* Tuesday there were 1,198 patients in the State Homeopathic Hospital for the Insane, in this city, of whom 600 were males and 598 females. During the week on was admitted and three were discharged.

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We offer One Hundred Dollars reward for any case of Cataract that cannot be cured by Hall's Cataract Cure.

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Stocks, Bonds, Grain and Provisions bought and sold for cash or carried on margin.

NEW YORK, March 10, 1897.

Yesterday Today Close Close

	Open	Close	Open	Close
Sugar.....	115 1/2	115 1/2	115 1/2	115 1/2
Tobacco.....	77 1/2	78 1/2	77 1/2	78 1/2
Chicago Gas.....	77	77 1/2	77	77 1/2
Nat. Lead.....	21	21	21	21
General Electric.....	34 1/2	34 1/2	34 1/2	34 1/2
U. S. Ins. pref.....	50 1/2	50 1/2	50 1/2	50 1/2
Tenn. Coal and Iron.....	27 1/2	27 1/2	27 1/2	27 1/2
T. & S. F......	11 1/2	11 1/2	11 1/2	11 1/2
C. B. & Q......	70 1/2	70 1/2	70 1/2	70 1/2
C. M. & St. P......	77 1/2	77 1/2	77 1/2	77 1/2
B. I......	67 1/2	68	67 1/2	68
D. L. & W......	154 1/2	154 1/2	154 1/2	154 1/2
C. of N. J......	93 1/2	93 1/2	93 1/2	93 1/2

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